

**Redevelopment Authority Minutes
Meeting of January 21, 2015**

City Hall, Council Chambers

7:30 a.m.

Members Present: Messrs. Barr, Halloin, Green, and Ms. Wildenberg

Staff Present: Messrs. Schatz, Reiter, Winzenz, Hoffer, Ms. Thompson

Mr. Barr chaired the meeting.

1. **Minutes of December 17, 2014**

Ms. Wildenberg moved to approve the minutes from December 17, 2014. Mr. Green seconded and the motion carried.

2. **Financial statements.**

Ms. Thompson reported that operating expenses in December 2014 were \$7,522. The Brownfield grant writing for the West Bank was \$7,500. Acquisition expenses totaled \$86,000 for December 2014. The largest sum was moving expenses for \$70,959.

Mr. Halloin moved to accept the report. Ms. Wildenberg seconded and the motion carried.

3. **Consideration of Purchase of 1714 and 1716 Oxford Avenue in the West Bank Redevelopment District.** Ms. Thompson presented acquisition costs for 1714 and 1716 Oxford Avenue in the West Bank. This includes the red wood barn structure and a vacant lot. She reported that there are six parcels remaining to purchase.

Ms. Wildenberg moved to approve the purchase of the two parcels as presented. Mr. Green seconded and the motion carried.

4. **Authorization of the City of Eau Claire Police Department to use 10 Maple Street for training purposes of employees only.** Mr. Schatz reported that the Police Department wishes to use 10 Maple Street for training purposes before it is demolished.

Mr. Halloin moved to approve the use by the Police Department. Ms. Wildenberg seconded and the motion carried.

5. **Update on purchases properties and relocations in the West Bank Redevelopment district.**

Mr. Schatz reported that this item was at the request of Mr. Barr. He reported on the acquisition and relocations of businesses within the West Bank area. Mr. Jeff Nelson, an owner of a business at Maple Street has moved his items to temporary storage at the YMCA property on Carson Park Drive. He stated that he has had difficulty completing the move because unusual personal hardship when his daughter became ill and passed away. Now he does not have the money to make the payments to complete the move. Ms. Thompson stated that the City is withholding 20 percent of his moving expense payment until the move is completed. He also asked that the RDA waive the double rent charged because he stayed longer on the property.

Ms. Wildenberg moved to waive the double rent fee charged to Mr. Nelson because of the unusual circumstances, the time of the moving and closing due to extreme personal hardship contingent upon the legal review of the City Attorney, Steve Nick.

Mr. Halloin seconded and the motion carried.

6. **Announcements and Directions.**

Mr. Schatz informed the RDA on the schedule for the proposed parking ramp in the North Barstow area. The site plan will go to the Plan commission on February 2, 2015 and then to the City Council for design considerations and financial approvals on March 24, 2015.



Jeff Halloin, Secretary